

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Ms. Awad at 6:15 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Awad, Kusner (arrived 6:19), Weiss (arrived 6:21), Greeney, Hubley
Shaffer, Rosenblatt, Chalfant, Nakajima

SELECT BOARD'S ACTION

Easement – Article 18 - Pulpit Hill Road

VOTED unanimously to grant, pursuant to Special Town Meeting October 30, 2006 Article 18, an easement to Verizon New England, Inc. and Western Massachusetts Electric Company over land located at 531 Pulpit Hill Road, which property is commonly known as “Ruxton,” for the purpose of placing and maintaining underground telecommunications and electrical lines and related equipment to provide utility service to the wireless communications facility to be located thereon pursuant to a Lease Agreement with Bell Atlantic Mobile of Massachusetts Corporation Ltd d/b/a Verizon Wireless as authorized under Article 16 of the Annual Town Meeting held on May 2, 2005.

Public Hearing Continuation - Tax Classification

VOTED unanimously to open the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. and continued to 7:00 p.m. on December 4, 2006.

SME Procedures

VOTED unanimously to approve the amended Special Municipal Employee Administration Process.

Town Wide Traffic Calming

No action taken.

Public Works Committee

No action taken.

Street Closing and Relax Parking Enforcement – Merry Maple

VOTED unanimously to approve the Amherst Area Chamber of Commerce’s request to close the following streets and relax parking enforcement on December 1, 2006 for the Merry Maple:

- Close the Main Street parking lot, in front of Town Hall, from 12:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
- Prohibit parking in the Spring Street parking lot, north side only, from 2:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
- Close Boltwood Avenue, between Spring Street and Main Street, from 12:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Set Select Board Meeting Schedule

VOTED unanimously to set the Select Board meeting schedule for 2007 at 6:15 p.m. in the Town Room, Town Hall, on the following dates:

January 8 and 24 (Wednesday)

February 5, 12 and 26

March 5, 12, 19 and 26

Consent Calendar

VOTED unanimously (3-0) to approve the following items on the November 27, 2006 Consent Calendar:

Approve Minutes

VOTED unanimously (3-0) to approve the Select Board minutes of November 8, 2006.

Special Liquor Licenses – UMass

VOTED unanimously (3-0) to approve the Special All Alcoholic License for the University of Massachusetts on November 30, 2006, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., at the Goodell Library, Bernie Dallas Room for a dinner.

VOTED unanimously (3-0) to approve the Special All Alcoholic License for the University of Massachusetts on December 5, 2006, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at Memorial Hall for a reception.

Approve Minutes

VOTED unanimously to approve the Select Board minutes of November 13, 2006, as amended.

Committee Appointments

VOTED unanimously to appoint the following members:

- Ann Benson, to the Agricultural Commission, for a term to begin January 1, 2007 and to expire June 30, 2009.
- Leslie Cox, to the Agricultural Commission, for a term to begin January 1, 2007 and to expire June 30, 2008.
- Ruth Hazzard, to the Agricultural Commission, for a term to begin January 1, 2007 and to expire June 30, 2007.
- Linda Hess, to the Agricultural Commission, for a term to begin January 1, 2007 and to expire June 30, 2009.
- John Ingram, to the Agricultural Commission, for a term to begin January 1, 2007 and to expire June 30, 2007.
- Bob Saul, to the Agricultural Commission, for a term to begin January 1, 2007 and to expire June 30, 2009.
- Sarah Swartz, to the Agricultural Commission, for a term to begin January 1, 2007 and to expire June 30, 2008.
- Patricia Wagner, to the Agricultural Commission, for a term to begin January 1, 2007 and to expire June 30, 2009.
- John Fox to the Audit Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2009.
- Rosemary Kofler as the Council on Aging representative to the Comprehensive Planning Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2008.
- Claude Tellier, as the Community Development Committee representative to the Comprehensive Planning Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2008.
- Stan Ziomek, as the LSSE Commission Representative to the Community Preservation Act Committee for a term to expire June 30, 2007.
- Kathleen Fisher to the Design Review Board, for a term to expire June 30, 2008.
- Yuko Takahashi, to the Kanegasaki Sister City Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2009.

- Andrew Melnechuk to the Public Transportation and Bicycle Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2008.
- Helene Ver Eecke to the Public Transportation and Bicycle Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2008.
- Karen Kowles to the Public Transportation and Bicycle Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2009.

VOTED: Kusner, Weiss, Greeney, Hubley voted “Aye”, Awad “No”, to appoint Patricia Wagner to the Amherst Farm Committee, for a term to expire December 31, 2006.

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Transfer of License - Big Guy Liquors

VOTED: Awad, Kusner, Weiss, Hubley voted “Aye”, Greeney voted “No” to approve the Transfer of an All-Alcoholic Package Store License from Meenakshi Kumar, d/b/a Big Guy Liquors (Manager: Meenakshi Kumar) to CHMP, LLC d/b/a Big Guy Liquors (Surjit Kaur, Manager), 27 Montague Road, Amherst.

Change of Manager and Directors - Arigato Sushi

VOTED unanimously to approve the Change of Manager from Hee Young Hong to Raymond Conners, 4 Ladyslipper Lane, Amherst, with the agreement that Mr. Conners receive bartender training within 6 months, and further approved the Change of Directors for SSL Sushi, Inc. dba Arigato Sushi, 11 North Pleasant Street.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED unanimously to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.